

Uniform Policy



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1. Aims

The school aims to ensure that:

- To ensure our students look well-presented both inside the school as well as within the community
- Promotes a sense of cohesion and community

2. Policy Statement

These items listed form the regulation Duston School uniform and must be worn on a daily basis. Items marked with an asterix must be purchased from the school uniform stockist.

Primary Phase – Autumn/Winter

- The Duston School (Primary Phase) navy jumper*/cardigan*
- The Duston School (Primary Phase) shower proof jacket*
- Pale blue polo shirt
- Navy pinafore dress or skirt with navy tights or under the knee socks
- Black trousers with black/grey ankle socks
- Shoes should be plain black and a low supportive style. Training Shoes of any type are not allowed apart from PE lessons
- The Duston School book bag*
- The Duston School PE Bag*

Primary Phase – Summer

- Pale blue checked summer dresses with white ankle socks. Ankle socks may be trimmed with blue
- May continue to wear long black trousers or may wear grey just above the knee shorts.

Secondary Phase

- The Duston School black blazer with school badge plus year colour flash*
- The Duston School V necked sleeveless jumper with school badge* ➤ Blue shirt
- Black school skirt of free flowing nature (from uniform shop*) or black tailored trousers which are not tight at the ankle.
- Plain black socks that cover the ankle and reach the hem of the trouser / tights
- Flat, black leather shoes that can be polished, are not patent or suede, and have a rigid sole. Training shoes of any type are not allowed apart from PE lessons.
- The allocated house badge
- The TDS book bag must be in school on the student every day for knowledge organisers and pencil cases

PE – Primary Phase

Indoor PE

- Navy shorts
- Plain pale blue round necked t-shirt
- Black plimsolls
- White or black ankle socks

Outdoor PE

- Navy jogging bottoms
- Trainers
- Plain blue round necked t-shirt

PE – Secondary Phase

- The Duston School polo shirt*
- The Duston School rugby shirt*
- The Duston School fleece top*
- Black PE shorts with the school logo embroidered*
- Black Tracksuit Bottoms, also embroidered with the school logo*
- PE Socks with the school name embroidered*
- Non marking white trainers for Indoor PE

NOTES:

Year 11 students may choose to wear white shirts.

All shirts should be tucked in at all times.

All students must have a plain waterproof school bag which should be able to accommodate A4 folder size. All students will have a book bag. Replacement book bags can be purchased through the school.

All outdoor coats must be removed on entering the building. * To be purchased from school's supplier

The DfE has issued [non statutory guidance](#) to ensure that schools take a sensible view towards the uniform policies they have, and that they are not profiteering in any way from inflated prices with cash back arrangements. Our supplier is a member of The Schoolwear Association and subscribes to their code of ethical practice.

- The DfE guidance says year round availability is necessary – our supplier is year round, 6 days a week - 9.00 - 17.30 with a closure at Christmas.
- The DfE guidance says non-branded goods (no logo) such as skirts, trousers, shirts, blouses, shoes etc. should all be available elsewhere –our parents are able purchase these items from any shop of their choice.
- The DfE guidance states sole supplier arrangements are acceptable if prices are periodically checked –we do this and can confirm that price reductions are always passed on to us and prices amended accordingly.

3. Religious and Cultural

If, for religious or cultural reasons a pupil has to wear a head covering then this must be black in colour to match The Duston School uniform.

4. Jewellery and Hair

No jewellery is to be worn, except for small gold or silver stud earrings (secondary phase only) and a watch (no smart watches of any variety). One small ring is allowed and necklaces should not be visible. No other form of body piercing is allowed, this includes nose studs and clear retainers. Jewellery must be removed before doing PE lessons. Students are encouraged to wear watches but these should be discreet i.e. no, large, "fashion" or brightly coloured watches. Smart watches are not allowed (Please refer to the 'Use of electronic devices policy').

All hair styles must be securely fixed back for all Physical Education lessons and for lessons taking place in laboratories, workshops and Food Technology rooms. Hair bands and clips must be navy or black only.

Hair must be worn in an appropriate style. Hair must not be worn or cut in an extreme style which the Governors believe would undermine the ethos of The Duston School. Hair should be of one natural colour.

5. Post 16

The code of dress must be suitable office attire.

6. Not allowed items

Handbags

No obvious cosmetics

Trainers of any type. This includes black trainers.

Canvas pumps

Hooded and 'sweater style' tops

Visible T-shirts worn under shirts

Jeans, cords, denim or linen materials

Trousers exposing the midriff (hipster style)

Tight short skirts or tight trousers of any type

Tongue piercings or any visible body piercings including the nose Tattoos

Hats worn inside the school

Nail Polish of any sort or artificial nails Extreme haircuts including colour.

7. Monitoring of compliance

The form tutor will play an important role in monitoring uniform and helping to resolve any problems e.g. financial, or applying sanctions where it is appropriate. Form tutors will contact parents to resolve any recurring problems. Students may be sent home to change, if they fail to meet the criteria of the school uniform policy. In the event of a student leaving school site regarding uniform communication will take place prior to a student leaving school site.

Students, who persist in wearing jewellery, other than that allowed, will have these items confiscated and may be placed into isolation. A letter/phone call will be sent to parents asking them to collect it. Parents will be asked to sign a receipt on collection. Staff confiscating jewellery should place it in an envelope. The envelope should be handed to the Senior Administrative Officer to be locked in a safe. The Duston School takes no responsibility for jewellery which should not have been brought into the school, and is subsequently lost or stolen. However, once confiscated, the school and its staff are responsible for ensuring its security.

8. Uniform supplier

Uniform can be purchased from:

The Schoolwear Shop Ltd

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